



Project Update

Watertown Plank Road Bridges Over Underwood Creek

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The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Southeast Region continues progress on rehabilitation of the bridges on Watertown Plank Rd. over Underwood Creek.

June Progress

Contractors completed construction of sidewalks, parapets, and fencing for the westbound bridge. All bridge decking materials have been removed from the underside of the new bridge deck. Approach pavements have been paved. Bridge painting contractors completed overcoating of bridge steel on both the eastbound and westbound bridge spans over the Canadian Pacific Railroad and have begun establishing necessary falsework for painting operations on both bridges.

Scheduled Work – Construction Impacts

Painting contractors will complete falsework installation and begin blasting/cleaning and painting bridge steel. Both the eastbound and westbound bridges will be accessed from the westbound roadway. Department anticipates painting to extend through most of August. Following bridge painting, traffic currently crossed over will be restored to the appropriate roadway and temporary crossover pavements will be removed and median will be restored.

The Oak Leaf Trail will continue to be closed and detoured during overhead operations. Trail closures are posted on Milwaukee County Parks website.

Traffic Control

Current traffic control, with westbound traffic crossed to the eastbound roadway, will remain in place through most of summer. With painting contractor accessing the eastbound bridge from the closed westbound roadway, changes to traffic staging will not have to take place until painting is complete. Project completion remains on schedule.